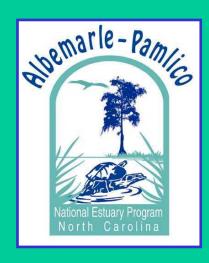


Mission

To identify, restore, and protect the significant resources of the Albemarle-Pamlico Estuarine System.



History

• National Estuary Program established by Congress in 1987

• An estuary of "national significance"





• 1987 -1994: Estuary Study (APES)

- 95-member management committee
- Characterization of study region
- Funded over 150 research projects
- CCMP ratified NC Governor and Approved by US EPA in 1994

• 1995 - 2003: CCMP Implementation (APNEP)

- 5 River Basin Regional Councils & a Coordinating Council
- Research
- Monitoring
- Outreach & Education
- Demonstration Projects
- MOA with Virginia
- Strategic Planning



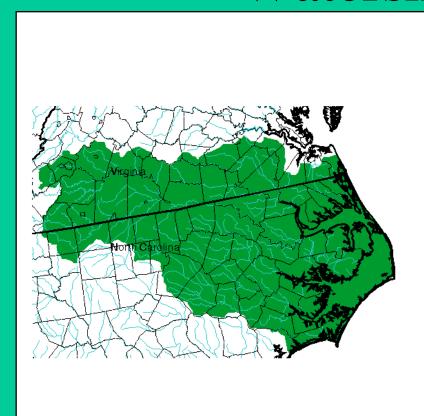
• 2003 - Present: CCMP Implementation (APNEP)

- New Structure
 - Policy Board
 - Citizen Advisory Committee
 - Science & Technical Advisory Committee
 - Management Advisory Committee
- Research
- Monitoring
- Outreach & Education
- Demonstration Projects
- MOA with Virginia
- Strategic Planning
- Program Restructure





Watershed Area



Approx. 30,000 sq. miles

Watershed

Major Rivers

State Boundary

/ County Boundary

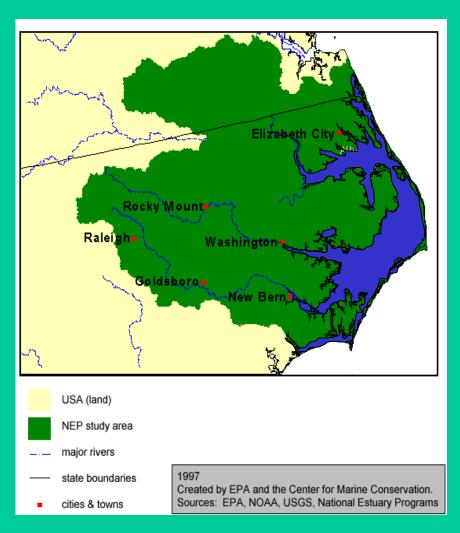
Albemarle/Pamlico Sounds

Scale: approximately 1: 2,771,250 Sources: NOAA, ARCUSA October 31, 1995 Map MR00037-10

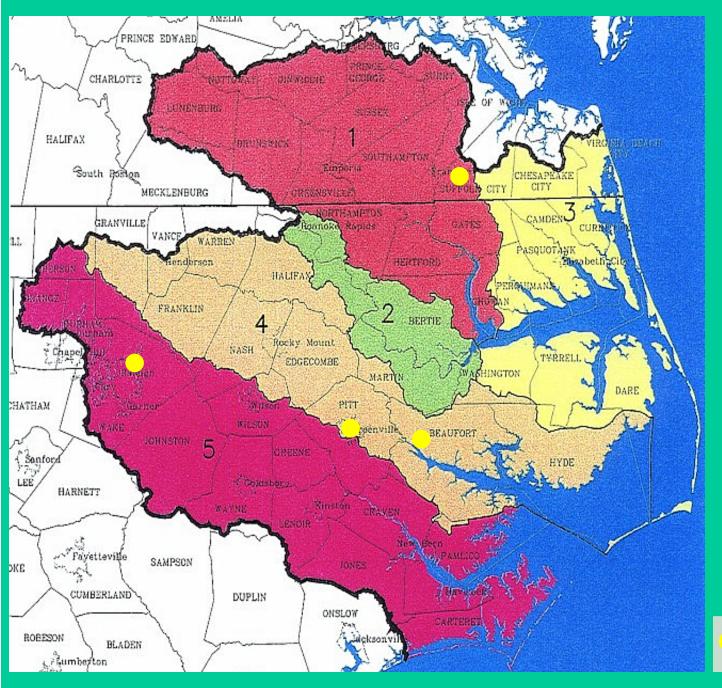
Office of Wetlands, Oceans & Watersheds



Program Area



Approx. 23,000 sq. miles

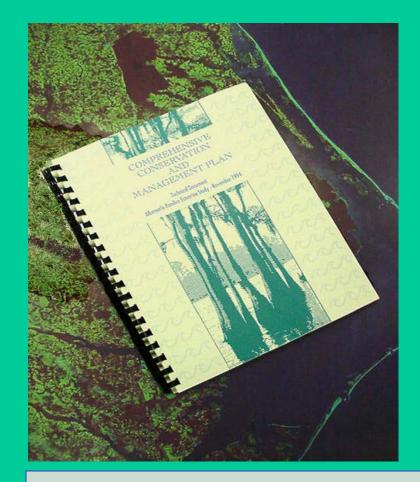


North Carolina and Virginia

36 counties
in NC
&
19 counties/cities
in VA



APNEP Offices



Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan

The CCMP presents strategies to better manage and balance the environmental and economic resources in the nation's second largest estuary.

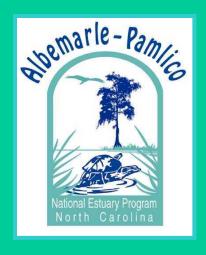
The CCMP contains 49 management actions addressing regional concerns within 5 main categories.

- Water Quality
- Vital Habitats
- Fisheries
- Stewardship
- Implementation

CCMP

The APNEP CCMP was ratified the Governor of NC in November 1994.

The CCMP was approved by the EPA Administrator in November 1994.



CCMP Actions

2005 Assessment

Total Priority Actions in CCMP	Number of Ongoing Priority Actions In 2005	Cumulative Number of Priority Actions Completed To Date
49	19	30

CCMP Implementation Structure

Advisory Committees

- Citizen
- Management
- Science & Technical

Policy Board

- Guides CCMP implementation process
- 23-members

Staff

Partnerships Leveraging Support Demonstration Restoration Education Awareness

Partnerships:

NC Sea Grant, Carteret Community College, Weyerhaeuser, NC Division of Coastal Management, One NC Naturally, National Association of Marine Educators, NC Natural Heritage, Tar River Conservancy, FerryMon, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, NC Division of Marine Fisheries, **Environmental Education Fund, Estuary Live, PCS Phosphate,** NCSU Water Quality Group, UNC-CH, Partnership for the Sounds, Several RC&Ds, Duke University, Pitt County, NCSU Extension, NC Division of Forest Resources, VA DCR, NCNEER, NC Coastal Federation, NOAA, Elizabeth City State University, NC National Estuarine Research Reserve, USFWS, The Nature Conservancy, Mid-Atlantic Association Marine Educators, NC Maritime Museum, One NC Naturally, East Carolina University, and more.....

Funding

Cooperative Agreement with EPA & NCDENR

Grant from EPA

Under Section 320 of the Clean Water Act (amended 1987)

Required 1:1 Match

Matching Funds From NC (100% in-kind)







Other NEPs Match - based on structure

Funding

Matching Funds From NC (100% in-kind)

All funds go toward CCMP Implementation

- Outreach (local & national)
- Education
- Projects
- Administration

Leveraged Funds

Measure of Success?

Tracking Required by EPA

- Primary
- Significant
- Support

APNEP Council Policies

APNEP Tracking

Communication







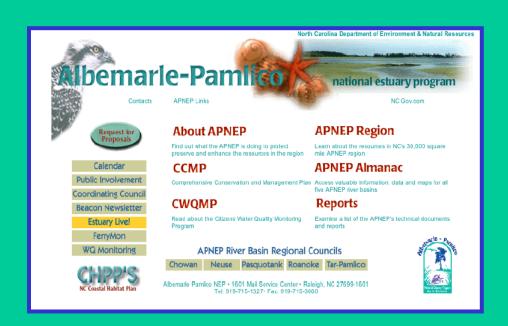
Communication Tools

Web Site

http://www.apnep.org

The APNEP *Beacon* Newsletter Mailed to over 1,000 people & Posted on Web Site

Citizens' Monitoring Network
Newsletter - Mailed to over 200
people & Posted on Web Site





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Vacant NC Field Representative

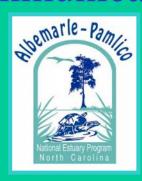
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Allen Clark Citizens' Monitoring Network Coordinator

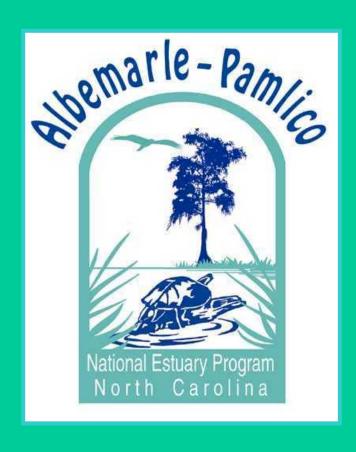
Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Program

The cornerstone of the NEP is collaborative decision-making.

Commitment
Coordination
Cooperation
Communication



Program Reform



Governor

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Division of Water Quality

Water Quality Section

Water Quality Planning Branch

Basinwide and Estuarine Planning Unit

Albemarle-Pamlico NEP

Program Coordinator

Public Involvement Coordinator

New Structure

Governor

Secretary of
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Assistant Secretary of Planning & Policy

Office of Conservation & Community Affairs

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Previous Public Involvement Structure

Executive Order No. 75

5 Regional Councils (River Basins)

Coordinating Council

Did not include
Virginia representation
or
Science and Technical Committee

Executive Order No. 75

5 Regional Councils (River Basins)

3 per county 11 appointments

Executive Order No. 75

5 Regional Councils (River Basins)

Neuse: 45 + 11 = 56

Tar-Pam: 42 + 11 = 53

Roanoke: 24 + 11 = 36

Chowan: 15 + 11 = 26

Pasquotank: 30 + 11 = 41

Executive Order No. 75

Coordinating Council

15 from Regional Councils7 Citizen Commissioners4 Federal Agency3 State Government

